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SUBJ: FURTHER GOA PERSONNEL AND PERSONALITY CHANGES

REF: KABUL 7946, 8006

1. FOLLOWING DEC. 18 DISMISSAL OF MINEDUCATION NEHMATUALAH PAZHWAQ, KABUL RADIO REPORTED DEC. 31 THAT DR. MOHAMAD HAIDAR, RECTOR OF KABUL UNIVERSITY, AND HABIBBUR RAHMAN, DEPUTY DEAN OF POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE HAD BEEN REMOVED FROM THEIR POSTS "DUE TO INEFFICIENCY IN DISCHARGING DUTIES". STRONGER TERMS THAN HAD BEEN USED PREVIOUSLY AGAINST THOSE NOT OFFICIALLY IN DISGRACE. KABUL TIMES AND JUMHOORIYAT REPEATED CHARGES IN PRINT DURING NEXT TWO DAYS.

2. HAIDAR APPOINTED RECTOR SEPTEMBER 18, 1973, HE WAS AT TIME REPORTED TO HAVE HAD STRONG "PARCHAMIST" CONNECTIONS, AND WHEN FIRST APPOINTED HE REMOVED NUMBER OF US-TRAINED INDIVIDUALS FROM INFLUENTIAL POSITIONS AT UNIVERSITY. PREVIOUS TO RECTORSHIP HAIDAR WAS ACTIVE IN TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION, WHICH JOINED WITH UNIVERSITY STUDENTS' DEMANDS DURING SIX MONTH STUDENT STRIKE 1971-72.

3. HABIBBUR RAHMAN, DEPUTY DEAN OF POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE,  
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UNDERSTOOD TO HAVE DEGREE FROM USSR AND WAS RUMORED TO BE MEMBER OF PRO-PEKING "CHOLEI-E-JAWEID" PARTY. NO REPLACEMENT

FOR EITHER MAN YET NAMED.

4. AT SAME TIME AS ABOVE REMOVALS, ANNOUNCEMENT MADE WITHOUT EXPLANATION THAT MRS. KUBRA (NOORZAY) APPOINTED PRESIDENT OF AFGHAN WOMEN'S INSTITUTE, REPLACING MRS. SALEHA FAROUQ ETEMADI, A MOHAMMADZAI AND CLOSE RELATIVE OF PRESIDENT DAOUD. REASONS OR MEANS OF HER DEPARTURE UNKNOWN. KUBRA (LAST NAME NOORZAY WAS FOR SOME REASON NOT STATED DURING RECENT ANNOUNCEMENTS) WAS MINISTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH 1967-68, AND WAS APPOINTED AUGUST 1973 TO HEAD ANTI LITERACY COMMITTEE, MINEDUCATION. WITH DEPARTURE OF MRS. ETEMADI, WHO HAD HEADED WOMEN'S INSTITUTE SOME NINE YEARS, GOES LEADING "ESTABLISHMENT" FIGURE. HARD TO ACCOUNT FOR HER DISMISSAL, BUT TIMING IS SIGNIFICANT. JANUARY 1 CEREMONY IN KABUL COMMEMORATING BEGINNING OF UNITED NATIONS WOMEN'S YEAR WAS BIG EVENT AND HER DEPARTURE ONE DAY BEFORE WAS CLEARLY BLOW TO HER PRESTIGE.

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